NOTICE OF PROTEST HEARING LAFCO 3202 – REORGANIZATION TO INCLUDE FORMATION OF THE WRIGHTWOOD COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT AND DISSOLUTION OF COUNTY SERVICE AREA 56 (WRIGHTWOOD COMMUNITY WITHIN SAN BERNARDINO AND LOS ANGELES COUNTIES)

Notice is hereby given that a Protest Hearing will be held by the Executive Officer of the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for San Bernardino County. The hearing will be held at the WRIGHTWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER LOCATED AT 1275 STATE HIGHWAY 2, WRIGHTWOOD, CALIFORNIA, on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016 at 4:00 P.M., to hear and receive any oral or written protests, objections, or evidence which are made, presented, or filed regarding LAFCO 3202. At the conclusion of the protest hearing, a determination will be made whether there is sufficient registered voter protest submitted to terminate the proposal. Absent termination, the proposal will be forwarded for a decision of the voters at the March 17, 2017 general election.

The application proposes the formation of the Wrightwood Community Services District (District) with the powers to provide street lighting, solid waste, park and recreation, and wastewater planning and engineering services and dissolution of County Service Area 56, which currently serves within the San Bernardino County portion of the proposal area. If formed, the District would be governed by a five member Board of Directors elected at-large from within the boundaries of the District. The proposed community services district encompasses approximately 17 square miles (10,866+/- acres) located in the San Gabriel Mountains generally along the Angeles Crest Highway (State Route 2) east and west of the Los Angeles/San Bernardino County line. The area is located east of the unincorporated community of Big Pines and west of State Route 138 in the Angeles National Forest, which is the area generally identified as the community of Wrightwood. The reorganization proposal includes the assignment of the existing Solid Waste Land Use Services special tax to all parcels within the boundaries of the District for funding the "dump card" for use at the County of San Bernardino transfer station or landfill. This special tax is currently assessed at \$85.14 without allowance for an annual increase.

The formation area is shown on the map available for review in the LAFCO office, located at 215 N. "D" Street, Suite 204, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0490, and on our website:

Click here to view the reorganization area map

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino initiated the reorganization proposal by adoption of a resolution of application. The reason for this proposal, as outlined by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino, is:

"That the reason for this proposed reorganization including formation is that the residents of the community have expressed the desire for local control and input into the decision-making process for the delivery of the services identified in the application."

The proposed terms and conditions for this reorganization are set forth in LAFCO Resolution No. 3227 adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2016 which is available for review in the LAFCO office, and on our website through the link below:

Click here to view the proposal

HOW TO FILE A PROTEST:

Any registered voter or owner of land within the territory proposed to be reorganized may file an official protest. All protest must be made in writing and submitted to the LAFCO office, 215 N. "D" Street, Suite 204, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0490 prior to the conclusion of the Protest Hearing or submitted at the Protest Hearing to be held at the Wrightwood Community Center on Thursday, September 22, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. The written protest must be signed and dated during the official protest period, which begins on September 1, 2016 and ends on September 22, 2016, at the close of the Protest Hearing.

Any protest without a date, bearing a date prior to September 1, 2016, or received after the conclusion of the Protest Hearing, shall be disregarded for purposes of determining the value of any written protests. Protest cannot be accepted by fax or email.

HOW TO OBTAIN A PROTEST FORM:

A Protest Form (usable for both landowners and registered voters) is available from the LAFCO website, www.sbclafco.org, accessed from the front page. Protest Forms may also be picked up in person at the LAFCO office, 215 N. "D" Street, Suite 204, San Bernardino, California 92415-0490.

Protest submitted by a registered voter must include the name of the voter, signature and address as they appear on the affidavit of voter registration.

Click here to view and print the protest form

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact the LAFCO office at (909) 388-0480 or by email at: lafco@lafco.sbcounty.gov

Dated: September 1, 2016

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION KATHLEEN ROLLINGS-McDONALD, Executive Officer

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